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CARE RESEARCH AND EVALUATION SECTION

What we do:

The Care Research and Evaluation (CRE) Section is located within the Department of Health Services, Office of AIDS (OA), HIV/AIDS Epidemiology Branch. CRE Section supports the branch by collecting, managing, analyzing, and evaluating data on HIV/AIDS clients and the services they receive from OA care and treatment programs. CRE Section activities focus on research and program evaluation, primarily for accountability purposes resulting from directives by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration to provide research findings on the impact of HIV programs to the U.S. Congress.

Who we serve:

CRE Section staff provides data and research support to the following care and treatment programs: AIDS Drug Assistance Program, Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency/Health Insurance Premium Payment Program (CARE/HIPP), Care Services/Consortia, Housing Opportunities for Persons Living with AIDS, AIDS Case Management Program, AIDS Medi-Cal Waiver Program, and Early Intervention Program. CRE Section staff completes mandated reports to federal and state agencies, distributes reports to interested parties, and conducts program evaluations, quality management, and research projects to ensure that effective services are provided to appropriate clients.

What we have done:

CRE Section has released the following reports which show how government-funded HIV services benefit California citizens:

- Fiscal Forecasting: The California AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Linear Regression Model (April 2004);
- CD4 Counts and Viral Load Measurements in AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP): Quality (Data) Management and Health Indicators (February 2004);
- Language Preferences of California AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Clients;
- Morbidity and Mortality Rates In California's AIDS Drug Assistance Program, 1997-1999; and
- An Estimate of the Benefits and Costs of the Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act/Health Insurance Premium Payment (CARE/HIPP) Program.

To access and download these reports, see Website

<http://www.dhs.ca.gov/AIDS/Reports/default.htm>.

Helpful resources:

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration <http://www.hrsa.gov>.
- For information on OA's mission, OA programs, and other helpful resources, see Website <http://www.dhs.ca.gov/AIDS>.

